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**VIA ECF**

Honorable Roberto A. Lange  
United States District Court  
District of South Dakota (Western Division)  
Andrew W. Bogue Federal Building and United States Courthouse  
515 Ninth Street  
Rapid City, SD 57701

Re: *Zaidman v. Penton-Zaidman – Joint Status Letter re settlement*  
Case No. 5:24-cv-05077-RAL

Dear Judge Lange:

This firm represents the Petitioner in the above captioned Hague Convention proceeding. We submit this joint letter with the consent of Respondent's counsel to update the Court regarding the parties' settlement discussions, pursuant to the Status Conference held before this Court on February 6, 2025 (Minute Entry, dated February 6, 2025).

The parties have made good faith efforts to reach an amicable resolution in this matter. We hereby notify the Court that the parties are still working to finalize the terms of the settlement agreement in the above-referenced matter. Given that settlement discussions are still ongoing, we respectfully request that the Court maintain the status conference scheduled for March 5, 2025, until such time as the parties can confirm that a resolution has been reached.

The parties will file a supplemental letter next week should there be any developments or changes.

Very truly yours,

/s/Richard Min  
Richard Min  
*Attorney for Petitioner*

cc: All Counsel (by ECF)